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1. The Soviets control three main dynamite factories working on the so-called [redacted] process, which is now considered to be out-of-date and too expensive. One is situated near Stalingrad, one near Moscow, and one south of Warsaw. It is not believed that there is any dynamite factory of equivalent importance situated farther to the east. 50X1-HUM
2. A new factory, however, is to be built near Stalino in the eastern Ukraine, making use of coke. The "hydronitro" process, for which patents have expired and which has hitherto been associated with Skoda, will be adopted.
3. Dr. Wysocky, as an expert in the Czech "hydronitro" process, has been "persuaded" by the Russians to construct this new dynamite factory. [redacted] 50X1-HUM
4. Therefore, it seems probable that the new Soviet plant will not utilize the results of the latest experiments. It will have a planned capacity of 40 tons of ammonia in 24 hours, and will be officially engaged in the production of artificial fertilizers.

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